

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 0859

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E.O. 11652 N/A

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR USE OF EMBASSY'S TELEPHONE FACILITIES

REF: STATE 080625

EMBASSY HAS CONSULTED WITH ARTHUR CLARKE CONCERNING HIS RECEIVING INSITUTE OF AERONAUTICS AND ASTRONAUTS TELEPHONE CALL ACCORDING TO REFTEL. HE INFORMED US THAT AT THE REQUEST OF THE BRITISH POSTMASTER GENERAL, AS WELL AS OTHERS, SRI LANKA TELECOMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY HAS AGREED TO KEEP OPEN A RADIO-TELEPHONE CIRCUIT BETWEEN COLOMBO AND BOMBAY. THIS, IN TURN, WILL PROVIDE LINK VIA SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS. CLARKE APPRECIATES OUR OFFER TO USE EMBASSY COMMERCIAL TELEPHONE FACILITIES; HOWEVER, HE BELIEVES FOREGOING ARRANGEMENTS ARE SATISFACTORY AND SHOULD ENSURE AN ACCEPTABLE LINE OF COMMUNICATIONS WITH LOS ANGELES.  
VAN HOLLEN

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